

**REMARKS**

**A. Amendments of Specification and New Claims**

Applicants amended the specification to provide a cross-reference to related applications.

Applicants also cancelled some of the claims in the application and added new claims. Support for new claims is found in the application, considered as a whole, e.g., p. 24, lines 32-37. Applicants respectfully point out that the cancellation of some claims and the introduction of new claims is not to be considered as narrowing the scope of Applicants' claimed invention, and the claims of record in the application, after this Preliminary Amendment is entered, should be considered to be entitled to the full scope thereof as defined by the open language of the claims.

**B. Request For Allowance**

Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, an indication of which is solicited.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this paper. However, if any fees are determined to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge these fees to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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